

BULGARIA MINI TRAVEL GUIDE

From Sofia Airport to City Centre



By public transport

METRO

Sofia Metro **Line 1** connects Sofia Airport to the City Centre and provides direct connection from the airport to the large residential complexes in close proximity. The journey time from Sofia Airport to the City Centre is approximately 18 mins. The other Metro stations allow convenient transport connections to bus or trolleybus lines of the city transport system.

The metro trains on the route to the airport operate from 5:30am to midnight on weekdays and weekends/holidays.

Metro station at Sofia Airport is located in the eastern part of Terminal 2.

You can reach it by following the floor markings in blue at the public area of Terminal 2.

BUS ROUTES NO 84 AND NO 184

84 and 184 bus routes connect City Centre (Gen. Gurko Str.) with Sofia Airport **Terminal 2 and Terminal 1**. Then it goes back along Christopher Columbus Blvd. – Tsarigradsko Shose Blvd. to Gen. Gurko Str.

Both bus routes operate under an all-day timetable. The exact times, including the first and last buses, are published at the [Urban Mobility Center](#). The journey time from the first to the final stops of 84 and 184 bus routes is approximately 45 mins. on weekdays, and 35 mins. at weekends/holidays.

INTER-TERMINAL TRANSFER

Sofia Airport provides direct transportation between Terminal 1 and Terminal 2 without any intermediate stops on the route. Buses marked as shuttle buses operate daily at 15-minute intervals from 05:00am until 11:00pm Transportation is free of charge.

Shuttle bus stops in front of both terminals are marked with signs and road markings.

For additional information or requests for transportation outside operating hours from 05:00am to 11:00pm, please contact: + 359 2 937 2211/12//13 or Airport and Tourist Information Desks located in the public areas of Terminal 1 and Terminal 2.

TICKETS AND BAGGAGE

At Sofia Airport you can buy tickets for the public transport at the kiosks of Urban Mobility Centre or at *Newsletters' kiosks* in the public areas of Terminal 2, as well as from a ticket vending machine, installed at Terminal 1 Arrivals public area. The machine works with Bulgarian levs and coins and the issued tickets are valid for bus lines 84 and 184.

Ticket machines for metro tickets are located at Sofia Airport Metro Station. The ticket machines accept Bulgarian banknotes and coins, and one of them accepts credit cards as well.

Passengers with regular transport documents are allowed to take up to 2 pieces of hand luggage on public transport vehicles free of charge. Any additional pieces of luggage are charged with a separate transport document.

More information on the types of luggage, transport conditions, routes and timetables can be found at: [Sofia Urban Mobility Centre](#) and [Metropolitan Sofia](#).

By taxi

For your comfort and safety, we recommend the services of the taxi operator OK Supertrans AD as contractual partner of Sofia Airport.

You can request the service at the offices of OK Supertrans in the Arrivals of Terminal 1 and Terminal 2. The floor markings in yellow will lead you to the taxi stand area.

More information: +359 2 973 2121 or www.oktaxi.net

Important!

We recommend that you do not use taxi services offered outside the office of the taxi operator or in front of the terminal to avoid the risk of abuse.

Rent-a-car

Rent-a-car services are available at Sofia Airport with our partners who can offer rental cars of guaranteed quality at reasonable tariffs.

- Guaranteed best prices;
- Guaranteed quality cars from lead suppliers;
- Easy and fast booking by telephone or on-line;
- Special offers and discounts.

The rent-a-car offices are located in the Arrivals areas of both terminals immediately after you pass through customs control. More information:

<https://www.sofia-airport.bg/en/passengers/andairport/car-rental>

Other Airport Services

VAT REFUND

Terminal 2, public area, before passport control

Tel. +359 2 937 3327

www.eands-taxservices.com

BUREAUX DE CHANGE

ICE Bulgaria

Terminal 1, baggage reclaim area

+359 2 937 3609

Terminal 2, public area,

+359 2 937 3608

baggage reclaim area and

www.iceplc.com

level 1 after passport control

IMPORTANT!

When booking your hotel, you can find in the map provided on it's website the location of nearest Metro station. Often hotels provide this information.

Taxi services in the city

If you need to travel by taxi during your stay in Sofia, we recommend calling a certified carrier such as:

- **OK Supertrans AD** - +359 2 973 2121 (on phone or via Viber platform)
Online - <https://www.oktaxi.net/en>
- **Yellow taxi** offers its clients an easy and convenient way to order a taxi - Taxi Button. This is a device that can be installed in different institutions and organizations. The Pos terminals work with all types of credit and debit cards, except American Express.
<https://www.yellow333.com/en/>
Phone: +359291119; +3592491 1108 or 1219 (no additional charge for all mobile operators)
- **Green Taxi**
Website: www.greentaxi.bg
Phone: +3592810810, Mobile: +359878/810810

See more on: <https://www.worldtravelguide.net/guides/europe/bulgaria/>

What to see and do while in Sofia?



Wander the Museums

As a place with so much history and culture, you are not going to want to leave Sofia without exploring at least a little bit of what makes this city and its country so great. Be sure you pay a visit to the National Museum of History, the National Institute of Archaeology, and the National Museum of Military History.



Walking Tours

One of the best ways to see the city upon your arrival is to join in on a fun walking tour! This will allow you to meet other travellers like yourself, gain a better feel for the city and what makes it so incredibly unique, and have a chance to visit some of the best spots as shown by locals.



Marvel at the Architecture

One of the first things you will notice about Sofia is the fact that it is chock-full of massive, ancient, and stunning architectural buildings throughout its many city streets. Some important ones you won't want to miss include Cathedral Saint Alexander Nevski, Saint Nikolas Russian Church, and Boyana Church. First two are located right in the City Centre!

Markets & shopping areas

<http://www.sofia-guide.com/attractions-in-sofia/markets-shopping-areas-sofia/>